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FORMER KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSION, INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a former Kansas City man pleaded guilty in federal court today to possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Aaron N. Holloway, Jr., 23, of Omaha, Neb., formerly of Kansas City, Mo., pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Ortrie D. Smith this afternoon to possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine.

By pleading guilty, **Holloway** admitted that he possessed with intent to distribute the crack cocaine on Jan. 28, 2003, in Kansas City. **Holloway** also admitted that he agreed to meet with an undercover detective intending to sell him two ounces of crack cocaine for \$1,700. **Holloway** met the detective at a Taco Bell, located at 4017 Blue Ridge Cutoff, in Kansas City.

After he sold the crack cocaine, he was taken into custody and arrested, Graves said. At that time, law enforcement officers recovered more than 62 grams of crack cocaine from **Holloway**.

Holloway was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Aug. 20, 2003, in Kansas City.

Under federal law, **Holloway** is subject to a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in federal prison without parole and could be sentenced up to life in federal prison without parole. His sentence will be determined according to the United States Sentencing Guidelines. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David DeTar Newbert. It was investigated by the Jackson County, Mo., Drug Task Force.

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